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> Honorable W. J. Muller County Attorney Kinney County Brackettville, Texas

Dear Sir:

Opinion Number 0-3807
Re: Is notice by publication required for notice of an election to be held for the issuance of bands by an independent school district?

We acknowledge receipt of your opinion request of recent date and quote from your letter as follows:

The trustees of Brackett Independent School District contemplate calling an election for the issuance of bonds; they have asked me for an opinion as to the legal notice or notices required. I gave them an opinion that only such notice as called for in Article 2785 of our statutes, as amended, that is, the posting of notice in three places in the district, was all the law required, however, the Secretary of the Board informed that our Representative Huffmann stated to him that there was enacted by the recent Legislature a law requiring notice by publication as well as posting of notice for the issuance of independent school district bonds. If such a law was passed same has not as yet been received here.

"Will you therefore please advise whether or not notice by publication is required for the notice of an election to be held for the issuance of bonds by an independent school district?" Honorable W. J. Muller, page #2

The question submitted by you is controlled by Article 2785, Vernon's Annotated Civil Statutes, which reads, in part, as follows:

" * * * On presentation of said petition, said officer or officers shall order an election for such purpose, and order the sheriff to post notices thereof in three (3) places in the district for ten (10) days prior thereto, or if for an independent district, the secretary of said board of trustees shall post such notices. * * *"

Therefore, you are respectfully advised that the only notice required is that stated in the above quoted article, which requires said notice of the issuance of bonds by any independent school district to be posted in three public places ten (10) days prior to the election.

In connection with this request we have carefully studied House Bill 193, Forty-seventh Legislature, and we are of the opinion that this bill does not apply to independent school district bond elections.

Very truly yours

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